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April 10, 2015

Ken Fleck, Geology & Environmental Affairs Manager Energy West Mining Company P. O. Box 310 Huntington, Utah 84528

Subject:

Request for Additional Information, Addition of Waste Rock Site, Energy West

Mining Company, Trail Mountain Mine, C015/0009, Task ID #4790

Dear Mr. Fleck:

The Division has reviewed your application to add the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site to the permit area and Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) for the Trail Mountain Mine. The Division has identified deficiencies that must be addressed before final approval can be granted. The deficiencies are listed as an attachment to this letter.

The deficiencies authors are identified so that your staff can communicate directly with that individual should questions arise. Please submit the required information as an addendum to your existing application by no later than April 27, 2015.

The Waste Rock Addition to the Trail Mountain mine (Task #4790) will remain pending until the requested information is received. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5350 or Joe Helfrich at (801) 538-5290.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock Permit Supervisor

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Technical Analysis and Findings

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

April 10, 2015

PID:

C0150009

TaskID:

4790

Mine Name:

TRAIL MOUNTAIN MINE

Title:

ADD WASTE ROCK SITE

Environmental Resource Information

General

Deficiencies Details:

R645-301-300: Biology: The cover page to the Appendix A and Appendix B are included but the actual appendix was not transferred over. The application must contain the contents of Appendix A (Vegetation Report) and Appendix B (Soils Conservation Service Vegetation Production Report) prior to approval.

R645-301-400: Land Use and Air Quality: The cover page to the Appendix A and Appendix B are included but the actual appendices were not transferred over. The application must contain the contents of Appendix A (Cultural Resource Evaluation) and Appendix B (Approval Order 835-91) prior to approval.

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Soils Resource Information

Deficiencies Details:

Findings:

R645-301-222.400, Please provide Volume 4 Biology Appendix B with soil productivity information.

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Operation Plan

Maps Facilities

Deficiencies Details:

Findings:

The conditional approval of the twenty-four Plates listed on pages 5 and 6 of this document is recommended. These plates are required to be certified under R645-301-512.100, -512.120, -512.130, -512.140, -512.150, -512.200, -512.230, -512.240, -512.250. When the Permittee submits the properly certified Plates to the Division, FINAL APPROVAL of Task ID # 4790 can be made by the Division.

The drawing titles "Trail Mountain Mine / Waste Rock Storage Facility / 2001 Soil Sample Locations" and Figure 1, Trail Mountain Mine, Waste Rock Storage Facility, Soil Distribution for Final Reclamation are not P.E. certified and do not need to be certified. They are recommended for approval as submitted.

Reclamation Plan

Bonding Determination of Amount

Deficiencies Details:

Findings:

Energy West Mining Company must post an additional \$ 332,000 of bond in order to complete the permitting process to add the waste rock disposal facility (from the Cottonwood / Wilberg permit C/015/019) to the Trail Mountain Mine permit (C/015/009).

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